APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES APRIL 22, 2015, CONFERENCE ROOM 2, SWVTC

The Appalachian Community Local Human Rights Committee (ACLHRC) met on Wednesday, April 22, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Helen Rippey

William Bowers

Nancy Thurman

Vickey McCarty

Frank Diamond

Dona Blair

Sandy Yates

OTHERS PRESENT:

B. J. McKnight, Human Rights Advocate, DBHDSTammy Mabe, Risk ManagerLarry Smith, Chief of Program Support ServicesCrystal Vaughan, Administrative Support

I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER.

Sandy Yates, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

No introductions were necessary at the ACLHRC meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were presented at the ACLHRC meeting.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

SWVTC requested of the Chair to add the review of SWVTC Instruction 570 "Behavior Support Plans, Procedures, and Guidelines for Restraint" to the meeting agenda.

Motion to approve agenda with the addition of SWVTC Instruction 570 was made by Nancy Thurman, seconded by Frank Diamond and unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.

V. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 28, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

By a motion by Nancy Thurman and a second by Helen Rippey the January 28, 2015 Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.

VI. SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER REPORT

Tammy Mabe, Risk Manager, presented the SWVTC Provider Quarterly Report of Human Rights Activities for the first quarter (January 1 – March 31, 2015). Questions

were presented and answered regarding the report.

Tammy Mabe, Risk Manager, presented the SWVTC Provider Quarterly Report of abuse/neglect investigations and corrective action plans for the first quarter (January 1 – March 31, 2015) for Larry Smith, Chief of Program Support Services, who was called away mid-meeting. Questions about the report were presented and answered by Tammy Mabe.

Priscilla Mays, Discharge Coordinator, was absent and her Discharge Report was postponed until the July 22, 2015 meeting.

Nancy Thurman made a motion to accept the SWVTC 1st Quarter Report as presented. After a second of the motion by Frank Diamond, the motion carried unanimously.

VII. LHRC MEMBERSHIP

BJ McKnight suggested that as the training center closes the ACLHRC should consider merging with Mount Rogers LHRC. Mount Rogers is looking to increase the membership of their committee to incorporate everyone who is interested. This merge would apply to Sandy Yates, Vickey McCarty, William Bowers, and Helen Rippey. Permission will be needed from the SHRC.

VIII. ADVOCATE'S REPORT

The CHRIS database has not been functional for about a month and recent database changes did not address the issues for change that the ACLHRC requested. SWVTC open cases cannot be closed until the database returns to service. The database changes did provide a new report that will print without client names.

In the meantime, Tammy Mabe and Larry Smith are making a summary report to go with the CHRIS summary to help clarify the data. Questions regarding data in the reports were presented and answered.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

Virginia Tech wants to meet with the ACLHRC to have a review of a research proposal. The committee members will need to look at rights protection. Sandy Yates called for this review to take place on Wednesday, May 20 at 2:30. It was voted to move the Policy 570 agenda item to this date also since Dr. Witherspoon was apparently unavailable for this meeting.

X. Nancy Thurman made a motion to adjourn the April 22, 2015 meeting; this was seconded by Helen Rippey and unanimously approved.

Sandy Yates, Chairperson